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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

S I R:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO 1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The person signing below certifies that each item of information contained in the present Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the present statement. The enclosed references were cited in a German application corresponding to the present application.

German reference 37 13 801 discloses a printing form material for surface printing, which material can be reutilized after printing by cleaning.

The article of Von Hansjörg deals with filmless production of printing forms, and specifically discusses electrophotographic methods and devices utilizing both dry toners and liquid toners.

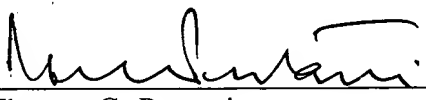
The present invention defines a method for imaging an erasable printing form which is not believed to be disclosed by the enclosed references.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that the copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

If any fees or charges are deemed required at this time in connection with the application, the same may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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